

DURABLE FINANCIAL POWER OF ATTORNEY

Plain English Explanation:

This document allows you to name someone you trust (called your “agent”) to manage your money, property, and financial decisions if you ever can’t do it yourself — like if you're in the hospital, seriously ill, or just need help managing things.

Your agent can do things like:

- Pay your bills and expenses**
- Access and manage your bank accounts**
- Sign checks or contracts**
- Sell or manage property**
- File your taxes**

This is called a “durable” power of attorney because it stays in effect even if you become mentally or physically unable to make decisions for yourself. It gives your chosen person legal power to help you — but they must always act in your best interest.

You can end or change this power at any time, as long as you're still able to make decisions.